

# The Grapevine

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## HOLIDAY GREETINGS FROM YOUR DIRECTORS



This will be our last issue of *Grapevine* for this year, and I want to take this opportunity to thank the Safety and Mission Assurance team for an outstanding year! We have faced some real challenges this year, and I think the way you have responded has helped to generate real credibility with our center senior management, and agency wide. Faced with a decline in resources at a faster rate than the decline of work, you have worked with our customers and your management to implement innovative ways to meet our commitments, and to assure the quality and safety of all the programs we support. While we still have a lot of change ahead, I think that the attitude and professionalism that you have demonstrated will be the key to our success. **Every one have a safe and Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!**



Tom Breakfield



This past year we have had to struggle with many changes to our traditional ways of operating here at KSC. Through it all we have still maintained our professional "can do" attitude and we have many things for which to be thankful. We've had another very successful year of processing flight hardware, ground and facility systems. Once again we can thank our families and our team members for their support and patience. All of us can be very proud of our accomplishments over the past year in support of the KSC mission. We want to wish all those leaving our organization "Good Luck" in whatever they decide to do. We will miss them and appreciate all they have done for KSC. **Have a very Happy Holiday and great New Year!**

Glenn Otto



I want to wish all of you a safe and happy Holiday Season. KSC has experienced an eventful and productive 1997, and a sincere "Thank You" to each of you for your efforts in assuring excellent safety performance while we process launch vehicles and payloads. I look forward to working with you next year. **May we have a great 1998 together!**

Bruce Jansen





# Employee of the Month

**DECEMBER****JANUARY**

***Congratulations to Nicole Scarborough/EC-D,*** for being selected as the EC Employee of the Month for December. Nicole was selected for her outstanding contribution in providing secretarial duties for the EC Administrative Office. Her dedicated efforts in collecting inputs, editing, typing, formatting, and distributing the “Grapevine” are especially noteworthy. Nicole also assures the Administrative Office’s “Procedures Handbook” is maintained in an up-to-date condition and that these updates are submitted in a timely manner to the other EC organizations who have and use the handbook. She assists in typing updates to EC Position Descriptions, sending out personnel actions, ensuring all employees leaving EC are properly cleared, and supporting the EC Director’s office during the absence of the secretaries.

***Congratulations to Bob Preston/EI-C,*** for being selected as the EC Employee of the Month for January. Bob was selected for providing the highest level of professionalism, while undertaking newly established responsibilities. Immediately after entering his new position as Safety Process Analyst, Bob initiated several tasks to improve the development of the Safety Analysis processes. Bob generated a data base to provide Safety Specialists the ability to input, catalogue, and email NASA Safety Surveillance Reports to the Shuttle Processing Safety management. This provides the specialists and management with immediate visibility and volume of surveillance reports generated within a specified time period. He utilized his computer skills to upgrade the ISO 9001 flow charting format and produced process flow charts for the organization. In addition, because of Bob’s knowledge of auditing processes, he was selected to be a member of the KSC ISO 9001 Internal Audit Team.



**Happy New Year!!  
1998**



## TIME-OFF AWARDS



Congratulations to the following employees who received Time-Off Awards for their contributions to the quality, efficiency or economy of Government Operations.

Brenda Willis/EC-C  
Nicole Scarborough/EC-D  
Sheryl Marshall/EC-D  
Lynn Ferris/EC-D  
Betty Godfrey/EC-D  
Barbara Vycital/EI  
Bob Preston/EI-C  
Kathy Aglitz/EI-F  
Don Vycital/EI-F  
Tom Dwyer/EI-F  
John Dollberg/EI-F  
Chuck Cole/EY-B4  
Bill Killpartrick/EY-B4  
Todd Brandenburg/EY-B4  
John Thiers/EY-B4  
Carroll Booker/EY-B4  
Jimmy Dyer/EY-B4  
Ken Strite/EY-B5  
Jim Davis/EY-B5  
Jon Shoup/EY-B5  
Jack Burritt/EY-B5

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## Service Awards

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The EC employees listed below have recently received Service Awards. *Congratulations to you all!!*

<b>Diane Schultz/EY-B</b>	<b>5 Years</b>
<b>Bob Labiak/EY-D</b>	<b>10 Years</b>
<b>Don Metzger/EY-D</b>	<b>10 Years</b>

## Sick Leave Club



Congratulations to the following employees who are lucky enough to enjoy good health and are distinguished members of the Sick Leave Club.

**Art Willett/EY-B5**  
**1500 Hour Club**  
**Bruce Jansen/EI**  
**3000 Hour Club**

## LEAVE TRANSFER RECIPIENTS

*Kimberly K. Vargas/EC, Eric J. Martin/EC-C, Tracy A. Drake/EY-B2, Edward "Skip" Noonan/EY-D, and Tonya R. Wright/EY-E have been approved as leave transfer recipients. Personnel who are interested in donating leave may obtain the necessary forms in EC-D, HQs Rm 3531 or HM-A-3, HQs Rm 1404. Please send completed forms to the Personnel Office, HM-A-3.*

## A Special "Thank You" To Our Leave Transfer Donors

*A heartfelt thank you to the individuals who were so generous in donating leave throughout the year to our leave transfer recipients. Your donations have helped many employees through difficult times. As you may know, your name remains anonymous unless you tell the recipient yourself that you have donated leave. So to all the donors, known and unknown, we give a special note of thanks!*



### 1998 Q+ Team Members:

Mark Bonde/EY-B3-A, 7-4402  
Bob Deliwala/EI-C-A, 1-3099  
Abe Negron/EY-B3, 1-7085  
Patty Moore/EY-E, 7-1420  
Tom Yencso/EY-N-C, 7-5981  
Alan Zoellner/EC-C, 7-3199

The following guidelines are the basic criteria that is required for a successful idea. At least one criteria must be established in your idea for us to consider and process if:

#### EC Innovation must establish:

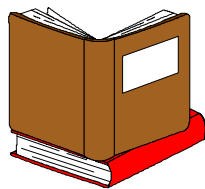
- An improvement to a process
- A cost savings to the Government
- An increase to efficiency

The Q+ Team aims for the quickest possible turn-around on addressing new incoming ideas. New suggestions are always encouraged and welcomed by the Q+ Team. We believe that each person in EC has a good idea for processing work in a better way.

***So lets add "YOUR" name to the recently suggested ideas!***



### EDUCATION OUTREACH



On November 14, **Laura Rine/EY-B4**, went to Buckhorn Elementary School in Valrico, Florida, to talk to the Kindergarten and 5th grade classes. She explained her job as a Quality Assurance Specialist and the Space Shuttle itself. Laura also discussed what is involved in processing the Shuttle. She demonstrated tiles, payload bay blankets and distributed lithos and stickers to the students.



**Sue Hutchinson/EY-B1**, received the 1996/97 ARF Team Spirit Award this month. The award was created within the ARF group where an employee from the group is nominated by their peers. It is felt by the ARF group that this type of nomination means more than most recognitions. The office votes once a year and the winner receives an 11x14 picture with all the cloth patches that flew that year. *Way to go Sue!*

### COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN

The following EC employees were recently given 8-Hour Time Off Awards by the Center Director for their efforts as CFC Solicitors, helping to make this the most successful campaign in KSC history:

EC-B-C/Bob Gerron  
EC-D/Denise Coleman  
EI/Sandy Gregory  
EI-C/Cathy Hope  
EI-F/Phil Swihart  
EI-F-B/Monica Edwards  
EY/Linda Mullen  
EY-B/Diane Schultz  
EY-C/Steve Brunelle  
EY-C/Greg Hale  
EY-D/Linda Burns  
EY-E/Patty Moore  
EY-N/Pete Richiuso

## **Congratulations**



***Martin Luther King, Jr.  
Birthday  
Monday, January 19th  
Holiday***



## *Personnel Actions*

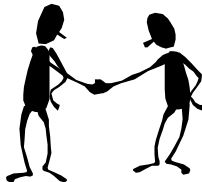


**Best wishes to the following employees leaving EC:**

EC-B, Dennis Peterson to LO-MSD-2  
EI-C, Dawn Elliott to BD

**Reassignments:**

EY-B1, Don Metzger from EY-B3  
EY-B1, Harrell Moyers from EY-B3  
EY-B3, Billy Thornton from EY-B1  
EY-B4, Al England from EY-B1  
EY-B5, Art Willett (Tech Asst)  
EY-B5, Mike Vendlinski from EY-B5 (Lead)



**A Very Special Thank You**

I am so thankful for all of the prayers, uplifting words, thoughts and donations of leave and monetary contributions you gave to me concerning my son, Courtney in our time of desperate need.

It's nice to know that there are people who sincerely care. I can't fully express the appreciation that I feel towards all of you. "Thank You" and may God Bless you all.

With much appreciation,

Tonya R. Wright



## EC HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

*Approximately 74 people attended the EC Holiday Luncheon held on Wednesday, December 3, 1997, at the LaCita Country Club, Titusville. A nice time was enjoyed by all!*



### Winners of Door Prizes:

Target: Lynn Ferris/EC-D

Target: Gail McLean/EY-C

Olive Garden: Al Sofge/EC

Wal-Mart: Ron Long/EI-C

Chili's: Danny Welford/EY-C

Wal-Mart: Dave Spacek/EC-B

Disney World: Sheryl Koller/EC

Olive Garden: Larry Tucci/EY-N

Publix: Christy Vanesse/HM-A-3

AMC Theaters: Chuck Mills/EY-B

Merritt Square Mall: Tom Breakfield/EC

Merritt Square Mall: Dian Hardison/EI-C

Ham/Cheese Gift Basket: Sandy Gregory/EI

Melbourne Square: Jeannette Boogaerts/EI-C

Melbourne Square Mall: Randy Tilley/EC-C

Red Lobster: Diane Welford (Danny Welford/EY-C)

AMC Theaters: Lois Breakfield (Tom Breakfield/EC)

Cheese Gift Basket: Roger Liang (Isolda Galiana-Liang/EI-C)

Bagel Gift Basket: Betsy Reckenberger/EY-C

Red Lobster: Bob Gerron/EC-C

Durango's: Jim Medina/EI-C

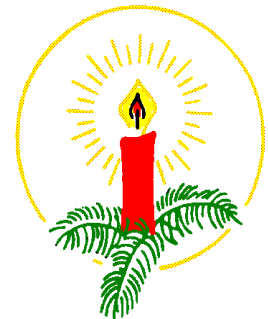
Durango's: Cathy Hope/EI-C

Chili's: Rick Sweet/EI-C

Publix: Terry Smith/EY-E



EC-D wishes you  
and your family  
Happy Holidays  
and a  
great New Year!



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## DECEMBER

- 01 Jerry Edwards/EY-B4
- 02 Patty Snooks-Moore/EY-E
- 04 John Radziwon/EI-F
- 05 Jon Arrington/EY-D
- 06 Sandra Bodiford/EY-N
- 07 Laurie Brown/EC-C
- 08 Ken Priske/EY-B3
- 09 Thomas Dwyer/EI-F
- 10 Lisa Colloredo/EC-B
- 11 Stanley Livingston/EY-B4
- 12 Brian Emond/EY-B
- 13 Lisa Kestel/EI-F  
Jud Bailey/EY-E
- 16 Jon Shoup/EY-C
- 18 Mark Bonde/EY-B3  
Mike Harrison/EY-C
- 19 Carroll Booker/EY-B5
- 20 Doug Newsome/EI-C
- 21 Tracey Drake/EY-B2
- 23 Sheryl Koller/EC
- 24 Billy Thornton/EY-B1
- 27 Dave Dibler/EC-C
- 28 Lori Thurow/EI-C  
Mike Griffin/EY-B3
- 29 Chuck Cole/EY-B4
- 30 Cathy Hope/EI-C

## JANUARY

- 04 Thomas Ferruzza/EI-C
- 07 Dennis Sparks/EY-b5
- 08 Chris Comerford/EY-B2
- 10 Jimmy Dyer/EY-B4
- 11 Ron Morris/EY-C
- 12 Ron Milligan/EY-N
- 13 Sandy Dunfee/EI-F
- 14 Linda Ball/EY-D
- 18 Bob Turner/EI-C
- 20 Chris Berg/EY-B1  
Steve Coffman/EY-E  
Todd Brandenburg/EY-B4
- 22 Zee Serbia/EY
- 24 Richard Hall/EY-B5  
Russ DeLoach/EI-C
- 29 Brad Berman/EI-C
- 31 Gary ArmeY/EY-L



*and many more....*